



# CALIFORNIA LATINO LEGISLATIVE CAUCUS

## 2014 POLICY PRIORITIES

On February 20, 2014 the CA Latino Legislative Caucus participated in a conference dedicated to in-depth discussions on some of the state's most pressing policy issues. Based, in part, on those discussions the Caucus has established the following priorities and action items for the 2014 legislative year.

**EDUCATION:** Ensure that the Local Control Funding Formula is equitably implemented across California to allow proper distribution of funds to needy schools.

Protect funding for Cal Grant and Middle Class Scholarships to ensure access to higher education for thousands of students.

Fight to repeal or amend past state initiatives (Propositions 209 and 227) that continue to limit educational opportunities and college access for students of color.

**HEALTH CARE:** Support the continued implementation of the Affordable Care Act and the expansion of the Medi-Cal program.

Collaborate with Covered California to improve health care enrollment rates within the Latino community.

**IMMIGRATION:** Promote federal comprehensive reform legislation that provides a pathway to citizenship for undocumented residents.

Support the timely and effective implementation of legislation (AB 60) intended to provide driver licenses for the undocumented.

Maintain an active working group comprised of elected officials, organized labor, advocacy groups, non-profits and employers to address pending reform issues and develop strategies to help secure passage of key immigration reform legislation.

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### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:**

Support the creation of a California Trade Office in Mexico and promote programs that expand international trade opportunities.

Engage with the business community on proposals and programs that create new jobs and expand economic opportunities for businesses throughout the state.

### **WATER:**

Support a comprehensive and regionally balanced water bond that addresses the current and long term infrastructure needs our state. In order to ensure the future safety and reliability of our water supply the bond should address a myriad of issues including conservation, storage, groundwater management and clean water needs.

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